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SUBJECT: MRS. ORLOV DENIED VISIT WITH HUSBAND; KATZ
FAMILY VISITED BY US DOCTORS

1. MRS. ORLOV'S SITUATION. ON MAY 27 A REFUSENIK SOURCE TOLD EMBOFF MRS. ORLOV HAS NOT BEEN ALLOWED TO SEE HER HUSBAND SINCE HIS SENTENCING MAY 18. ACCORDING TO SOURCE, PRISONERS NORMALLY ARE ENTITLED TO SEE FAMILY MEMBERS WITHIN TWO DAYS OF THEIR CONVICTION. AS FAR AS OUR SOURCE KNEW, NO REASON HAS BEEN GIVEN BY THE AUTHORITIES FOR DENYING VISIT.

2. MRS. ORLOV REPORTEDLY IS IN A VERY DEPRESSED MOOD. SHORTLY AFTER THE TRIAL SHE BROKE DOWN AND "CRIED FOR A WHOLE DAY." THEN SHE REPORTEDLY REGAINED HER COURAGE IN ANTICIPATION OF SEEING HER HUSBAND. NOW THAT THIS HAS BEEN DENIED, SHE IS REPORTEDLY ONCE AGAIN "DEPRESSED AND CRYING".

3. KATZ BABY. A FRIEND OF THE KATZ FAMILY TELLS US THAT A GROUP OF AMERICAN DOCTORS ON PRIVATE TOUR FROM WASHINGTON, D.C. VISITED THE KATZ FAMILY THE WEEK OF
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MAY 21 AND BROUGHT THE KATZ CHILD A GREAT DEAL OF SPECIAL BABY FOOD. OUR SOURCE DID NOT KNOW FOR CERTAIN WHETHER THE DOCTORS ALSO EXAMINED THE CHILD, BUT HE FELT CERTAIN THE DOCTORS AT LEAST DISCUSSED HER CONDITION WITH HER PARENTS. (EMBASSY HAS NOT BEEN CONTACTED BY THIS PRIVATE TOUR GROUP OF PHYSICIANS AND HAS NO FURTHER INFORMATION ABOUT IT.) MATLOCK

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